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**Mid-December Prices Received by Farmers**

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of December showed increases for all barley and all wheat. Prices decreased for dry beans, potatoes and all milk. Alfalfa hay remained the same.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 201 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, decreased 5 points (2.4 percent) from November. The Crop Index is down 8 points (3.4 percent) and the Livestock Index remains unchanged. Producers received lower prices for milk, lettuce, turkeys, and eggs and higher prices for soybeans, broilers, cattle, and grapes. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of wheat, milk, broilers, and hay offset the decreased marketing of corn, soybeans, cattle, and grapes.

**Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, Dec. 2011-Dec. 2012**

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		December 2011	November 2012	December 2012 <sup>1/</sup>	December 2011	November 2012	December 2012	
							Price <sup>1/</sup>	% Parity
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	228.00	200.00	200.00	195.00	215.00	217.00	--
Barley, All	Bu	5.81	6.56	6.57	5.46	6.45	6.17	49
Feed	Bu	4.39	5.79	(D)	4.88	5.68	5.65	--
Malting	Bu	5.85	6.63	(D)	5.55	6.60	6.30	--
Dry Beans	Cwt	42.40	40.60	39.30	42.00	39.20	36.70	42
Potatoes <sup>2/</sup>	Cwt	7.60	5.95	5.80	9.06	7.39	7.26	29
Fresh <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt	7.60	4.50	(D)	10.86	6.63	(D)	--
Processing	Cwt	7.60	7.10	(D)	8.10	7.83	(D)	--
Wheat, All	Bu	6.63	8.34	8.50	7.20	8.46	8.33	46
<b>LIVESTOCK &amp; PRODUCTS:</b>								
Milk, All <sup>4/</sup>	Cwt	18.40	21.20	19.50	19.70	22.00	21.10	39

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. D – Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

**United States Price Index Summary Table**

Index	December 2011	November 2012	December 2012
Prices Received	179	206	201
Prices Paid	206	218	217
Ratio prices received to prices paid	87	94	93

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## **Idaho Winter Wheat Seedings Down 3 Percent**

Idaho's winter wheat seeded area for the 2013 crop is estimated at 760,000 acres, down 3 percent from the 780,000 acres seeded for the 2012 crop and 7 percent below the 820,000 acres seeded for 2011, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Nationally, winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2013 is estimated at 41.8 million acres, up 1 percent from 2012 and 3 percent above 2011. Seeding began last August but by the middle of September was behind the 5-year average as producers waited for improved soil moisture levels. However, by the end of October, seeding had progressed ahead of last year and the 5-year average. More acres were seeded this year due to the early row crop harvest and higher prices.

## **December 1 Grain Stocks**

Idaho's December 1, 2012 stocks of all wheat stored in all positions totaled 50.1 million bushels, down 28 percent from last year's 70.0 million bushels, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. On-farm storage was estimated at 18.0 million bushels, down 37 percent from last year's 28.5 million bushels. Off-farm stocks, including stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors was estimated at 32.1 million bushels, down 23 percent from December 1, 2011. Barley stocks in all positions totaled 34.8 million bushels, down 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm storage was estimated at 14.5 million bushels, up 4 percent from a year ago. Off-farm storage was estimated at 20.3 million bushels, down 5 percent from last year.

Nationally, all wheat stored in all positions December 1, 2012 totaled 1.66 billion bushels, down slightly from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 400 million bushels, down 1 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 1.26 billion bushels, are up slightly from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions on December 1, 2012 totaled 158 million bushels, up 14 percent from December 1, 2011. On-farm stocks are estimated at 72.6 million bushels, 31 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 85.3 million bushels, are 2 percent above December 2011. Oats stored in all positions on December 1, 2012, totaled 73.1 million bushels, 8 percent below the stocks on December 1, 2011. Of the total stocks on hand, 26.0 million bushels are stored on farms, up 4 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 47.1 million bushels, down 13 percent from the previous year. Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2012, totaled 8.03 billion bushels, down 17 percent from December 1, 2011. Of the total stocks, 4.59 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 26 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.44 billion bushels, are down 1 percent from a year ago. Pulse crops stored in all positions on December 1, 2012, and the change from December 1, 2011 are: dry edible peas, 5.19 million cwt, up 25 percent; lentils, 3.57 million cwt, down 11 percent; Austrian winter peas, 86,000 cwt, down 33 percent; All chickpeas, 1,627,000 cwt, up 51 percent; small chickpeas, 710,000 cwt, up 64 percent; and large chickpeas, 917,000 cwt, up 43 percent. Small chickpeas are defined as chickpeas that will pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

## Idaho Dry Bean Production Up 61 Percent

Idaho's 2012 dry edible bean production totaled 3.02 million cwt, up 61 percent from last year's production of 1.88 million cwt. Planted acreage of 145,000 and harvested acreage of 144,000 increased from last year's 95,000 acres planted and 94,000 acres harvested. Average yield was 2,100 pounds per acre, up 100 pounds from the previous year.

Chickpea (garbanzo) production accounted for the largest portion of Idaho's dry bean crop with 41.1 percent of the total. Pinto production more than doubled from last year to account for 29.5 percent of Idaho's production. Small Red production accounted for 9.6 percent of production. Pink production accounted for 7.0 percent of Idaho's production. Navy production accounted for 4.2 percent of production. Black production accounted for 2.1 percent of Idaho's production, and Great Northern production accounted for 1.9 percent. Dark red kidneys, light red kidneys, cranberries, and other classes made up the remaining dry edible bean production in Idaho. Of the ten classes of dry edible beans estimated for Idaho during 2012, all except Great Northerns posted production gains from last year.

Nationally, United States dry edible bean production is estimated at 31.9 million cwt for 2012, up 61 percent from 2011. Planted area is estimated at 1.74 million acres, up 43 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 1.69 million acres, 45 percent above the previous year. The average United States yield is estimated at a record high 1,889 pounds per acre, an increase of 186 pounds from 2011. Production is estimated to be greater in 16 of the 18 States in the dry bean program in 2012. The largest producing state, North Dakota, produced 11.7 million cwt, up 136 percent from 2011.

### All Dry Beans: Acreage, Yield and Production, Selected States and United States, 2011 – 2012 <sup>1/</sup>

State	Planted		Harvested		Yield <sup>2/</sup>		Production <sup>2/</sup>	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt</i>	
California	57.5	58.5	57.0	57.5	1,900	2,270	1,083	1,304
Colorado	38.0	50.0	37.0	45.0	1,580	1,840	585	828
Idaho	95.0	145.0	94.0	144.0	2,000	2,100	1,880	3,024
Michigan	170.0	200.0	168.0	197.0	2,000	1,790	3,360	3,526
Minnesota	140.0	160.0	135.0	155.0	1,690	2,000	2,281	3,103
Nebraska	110.0	145.0	105.0	133.0	2,000	2,400	2,100	3,193
North Dakota	410.0	700.0	380.0	685.0	1,300	1,700	4,940	11,660
Oregon	6.4	10.5	6.4	10.5	2,410	2,460	154	258
Washington	77.0	115.0	77.0	115.0	1,900	1,930	1,463	2,220
U.S. Total	1,217.9	1,742.5	1,167.9	1,690.4	1,703	1,889	19,890	31,925

1/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed. 2/ Clean basis.

## U.S. Dairy Products November 2012 Highlight

**Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) was 912 million pounds, 1.8 percent above November 2011 but 1.8 percent below October 2012.

**Italian type cheese** production totaled 383 million pounds, 0.5 percent below November 2011 and 1.2 percent below October 2012.

**American type cheese** production totaled 362 million pounds, 3.8 percent above November 2011 but 2.1 percent below October 2012.

**Butter** production was 144 million pounds, 6.0 percent below November 2011 and 0.8 percent below October 2012.

**Dry milk powders** (comparisons with November 2011)

Nonfat dry milk, human - 116 million pounds, down 3.8 percent. Skim milk powders - 44.7 million pounds, up 13.0 percent.

**Whey products** (comparisons with November 2011)

Dry whey, total - 71.5 million pounds, down 7.8 percent.

Lactose, human and animal - 80.5 million pounds, down 1.5 percent. Whey protein concentrate, total - 36.5 million pounds, down 0.8 percent.

**Frozen products** (comparisons with November 2011)

Ice cream, regular (hard) - 54.0 million gallons, up 1.9 percent.

Ice cream, lowfat (total) - 25.0 million gallons, down 11.0 percent.

Sherbet (hard) - 2.57 million gallons, down 1.8 percent.

Frozen yogurt (total) - 3.45 million gallons, down 11.3 percent.

## Selected Crops: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Idaho & U.S., 2011-2012

State	Area Harvested <sup>1/</sup>		Unit	Yield		Production	
	2011	2012		2011	2012	2011	2012
<b>IDAHO</b>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>					<i>Thousands</i>	
All Hay	1,350	1,340	Tons	3.76	3.55	5,070	4,760
Alfalfa Hay	1,000	1,040	Tons	4.30	4.00	4,300	4,160
All Haylage and Greenchop	100	105	Tons	11.74	11.62	1,174	1,220
Canola	18.5	37.0	Lbs	2,100	1,800	38,850	66,600
Corn for Grain	120	135	Bu.	185.0	190.0	22,200	25,650
Corn for Silage	225	220	Tons	27.5	27.0	6,188	5,940
All Wheat	1,401	1,253	Bu.	82.8	78.2	115,979	98,006
Winter Wheat	770	740	Bu.	82.0	80.0	63,140	59,200
Spring Wheat	620	500	Bu.	84.0	76.0	52,080	38,000
Durum Wheat	11	13	Bu.	69.0	62.0	759	806
Barley	500	590	Bu.	93.0	91.0	46,500	53,690
Oats	15	15	Bu.	70.0	65.0	1,050	975
Potatoes	319	344	Cwt	404	416	128,760	143,240
Sugarbeets	176	182	Tons	34.4	35.3	6,054	6,425
Dry Beans <sup>2/</sup>	94	144	Cwt	2,000	2,100	1,880	3,024
Dry Edible Peas <sup>2/</sup>	15	26	Cwt	1,800	1,900	270	494
Austrian Winter Peas <sup>2/</sup>	5	4.5	Cwt	1,700	1,300	85	59
Lentils <sup>2/</sup>	27	32	Cwt	1,300	1,200	351	384
Hops	2,265	2,423	Lbs	2,408	1,745	5,454.1	4,227.6
<b>UNITED STATES</b>							
All Hay	55,653	56,260	Tons	2.36	2.13	131,216	119,878
Alfalfa Hay	19,213	17,292	Tons	3.40	3.01	65,332	52,049
All Haylage and Greenchop	4,296	4,243	Tons	7.44	6.24	31,982	26,457
Canola	1,043	1,729	Lbs	1,475	1,416	1,538,010	2,447,410
Corn for Grain	83,989	87,375	Bu.	147.2	123.4	12,359,612	10,780,296
Corn for Silage	5,935	7,379	Tons	18.4	15.4	109,094	113,450
All Wheat	45,705	48,991	Bu.	43.7	46.3	1,999,347	2,269,117
Winter Wheat	32,314	34,834	Bu.	46.2	47.2	1,493,677	1,645,202
Spring Wheat	12,079	12,055	Bu.	37.7	45.0	455,188	541,959
Durum Wheat	1,312	2,102	Bu.	38.5	39.0	50,482	81,956
Barley	2,239	3,244	Bu.	69.6	67.9	155,780	220,284
Oats	939	1,045	Bu.	57.1	61.3	53,649	64,024
Potatoes	1,077.0	1,132.7	Cwt	399	412	429,647	467,126
Sugarbeets	1,213.2	1,204.2	Tons	23.8	29.3	28,896	35,236
Dry Beans <sup>2/</sup>	1,167.9	1,690.4	Cwt	1,703	1,889	19,890	31,925
Dry Edible Peas <sup>2/</sup>	342.8	621.0	Cwt	1,641	1,751	5,625	10,872
Austrian Winter Peas <sup>2/</sup>	12.3	13.7	Cwt	1,463	1,219	180	167
Lentils <sup>2/</sup>	411	450	Cwt	1,151	1,178	4,732	5,302
Hops	29,787	31,933	Lbs	2,175	1,918	64,781.6	61,249.2

1/ Harvested for principal use of each crop, i.e., beans, dry hay, etc. 2/Yield in pounds, production in cwt.